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A case of smallpox was discovered at the examination of steerage passengers for the steamship *Verona* May 1. The patient was transferred to the Cotugno hospital for contagious diseases. Twenty-two contacts were returned to the boarding house in which all had been lodged and where they will be held under strict observation for 2 weeks. The persons have been vaccinated, and the boarding house has been disinfected.

Status of smallpox in Italy.—Week ended May 2. Cases: Vigevano (Pavia), 4; Tollo, 2; Chieti, 1; Oppido Mamertino, 1; Varapodio (Reggio Calabria), 4.

JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Inspection of vessels—Plague-infected rats—Fatal plague case at Kyoto.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cumming reports, April 28:

Bills of health issued at this station during the week ended April 24 to 4 vessels having an aggregate personnel of 518 members of crews, 153 cabin and 569 steerage passengers.

During the week 4 plague-infected rats were found in the Ota district of this city. Plague-infected rats have been found there about this season of each year for several years past. The district is away from the water front and is inhabited by the poorest classes, many of the men working on vessels in the harbor as longshoremen.

During the week a Buddhist priest from a rural temple near Kobe died in Kyoto of plague. There was a large meeting of Buddhists from all over the Empire in Kyoto at the time and the authorities are taking stringent measures.

MEXICO.

Report from Coatzacoalcas—Inspection and fumigation of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Thompson reports, May 13:

Week ended May 12. Inspected 3 vessels, 2 of which were fumigated.

Report from Progreso—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Sanitary conditions.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Harrison reports, May 8:

Period from April 24 to May 7. Six steamships received bills of health. One was fumigated, 36 passengers and 22 members of crews having been inspected.

No quarantinable disease was reported here or elsewhere in Yucatan.

Report from Salina Cruz—Fumigation of vessel.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Gochicoa reports, May 10:

Week ended May 8. One vessel fumigated.